

REMARKS

Currently, claims 16-30 are pending in this application. No claim has been amended.

Claims 16-30 stand finally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-8 of U.S. Patent No. 6,419,789. In view of the terminal disclaimer filed herewith, this rejection has been overcome and immediate allowance of all pending claims is earnestly solicited.

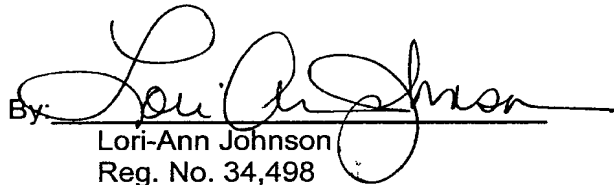
In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully request the reconsideration and further examination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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